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SUBJECT: COFFEE: IACO HEADQUARTERS TRANSFERRED TO ABIDJAN

1. THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE INTERAFRICAN COFFEE ORGANIZATION (IACO) ARE TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM PARIS TO ABIDJAN BY THE END OF 1976. THE MOVE WAS FORMALLY ANNOUNCED IN A PRESS CONFERENCE ON OCTOBER 26 BY IVORIAN MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE ABDOULAYE SAWADOGO.

2. THE MINISTER GENERALLY OUTLINED THE RESULTS OF IACO'S 16TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY HELD IN BANGUI, CAR FROM OCTOBER 18 TO 22. DELEGATES TO THE MEETING WERE ASKED TO CHOOSE BETWEEN KAMPALA AND ABIDJAN
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AS HOST CITY TO THE ORGANIZATION WHOSE OFFICES HAVE

BEEN LOCATED IN PARIS SINCE ITS CREATION IN 1960.
TWELVE VOTES WERE CAST FOR ABIDJAN, THREE FOR
KAMPALA WITH ONE ABSTENTION.

3. OTHER DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE MEETING INCLUDED
ELECTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD WITH M. LOUIS
ALAZOULA (MINISTER FOR STATE ENTERPRISES - CAR) AS
PRESIDENT. PARTICIPANTS AT THE CONFERENCE ALSO
DISCUSSED THE ABNORMAL SPREAD OF MARKET PRICES
BETWEEN ROBUSTA AND UNWASHED ARABICA (BRAZILIAN
VARIETIES) COFFEES. THE PRICE DIFFERENTIAL, WHICH IS NORMALLY
BETWEEN 5 TO 7 CENTS HIGHER FOR UNWASHED ARABICA,
HAS INCREASED TO MORE THAN 20 CENTS. THE MEMBER
NATIONS AGREED TO MEET REGULARLY TO COORDINATE
POLICIES AIMED AT REDUCING THE MARGIN BETWEEN
THE TWO PRICES.
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